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PROBATE COURT RULES  
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Rules of the Honorable Probate Court adopted  
at the February Term 1840

Rule 6<sup>th</sup> The estates and causes as entered upon the docket will be called as entered, and if there is no appearance the same will be disposed of for the term.

16<sup>th</sup> When any administrator executor or guardian shall file his vouchers for final settlement of the estate whereof he has been executor administrator or guardian, he shall file therewith an account current drawn in fair hand in which after detailing himself with all assets that may have come to his hands, there shall be stated on the credit side of all accounts, First all costs of administration last sickness and funeral expenses, Amount received by the widow of property at its appraised value, and such debts due the estate, as having been charged to the administrator or executor, are not capable of being collected, Secondly all payments made on mortgages or judgments that operated as a lien on the estate of the decedent, and lastly payments made on every other account to the creditors of the estate. And each of the above items shall form a separate aggregate, and the voucher of each item shall be numbered and referred to corresponding numbers on the account current,

17<sup>th</sup> When ever any estate shall be considered insolvent the administrator or executor shall immediately after the expiration of twelve months from the granting of letters of administration make out and present to the court a schedule showing all the assets that may be available to the credit of such estate, and showing as near as can be ascertained the amount of debts chargeable upon the estate, that a dividend may be struck.

18<sup>th</sup> upon an application by an administrator or executor for an extension of the time for making final settlement such application shall be made in writing and filed with the clerk, and shall set forth the facts and reasons upon which such application is made and unless reasonable diligence shall have been used in collecting and paying debts and in settling the concerns of the estate the application will not be granted.

19<sup>th</sup> That administrators executors and guardians in making out their accounts for the approbation of the court (as required by rule 6) shall state the terms of each receipt of money and, also the time of each payment.

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